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Ms. Donna R. Searcy Secretary Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Amendment of Section 73.202(b)

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FM Table of Allotments Key Largo, Florida

Dear Ms. Searcy:

On behalf of Spanish Broadcasting System of Florida, Inc., licensee of Radio Station WZMQ(FM), Key Largo, Florida, we are filing herewith an original and four copies of its "Petition for Rulemaking" with respect to the above-captioned proceeding.

Should any questions arise with respect to this matter, please contact the undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

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In the Matter of)	
Amendment of Section 73.202(b))	RM
of the Commission's Rules)	
(Key Largo, Florida))	

To: Chief, Policy and Rules Division

PETITION FOR RULEMAKING

Spanish Broadcasting System of Florida, Inc. ("Spanish"), licensee of Radio Station WZMQ(FM), Key Largo, Florida, by its attorneys and pursuant to Section 1.40(d) of the Commission's Rules, hereby requests the Commission to institute a rulemaking proceeding to amend Section 73.202(b) in the manner described below:

1. Radio Station WZMQ(FM) operates at Key Largo, Florida, on Channel 280C2. Attached hereto is the Engineering Statement of Herman E. Hurst of Carl T. Jones Corporation. As indicated therein, WZMQ(FM), Key Largo, Florida, shares an antenna site with Radio Station WKLG(FM), Rock Harbor, Florida, operating on Channel 271C2. WZMQ(FM) has had reports of Receiver-Induced Third Order Intermodulation ("RITOI") interference in some automobile receivers within the vicinity of the shared antenna. This interference impacts the reception of Radio Station WCTH(FM), Plantation Key, Florida, operating on Channel 262C1. The WZMQ/WKLG site is approximately 19 km northeast of the WCTH antenna transmitter location.

2. In order to mitigate the RITOI, the licensee proposes to amend Section 73.202(b) in the following manner:

	<u>Add</u>	<u>Delete</u>
Key Largo, Florida	292C2	280C2
Marathon, Florida	288A	292A
Key Colony Beach, Florida	280C2	288C2

- 3. The proposed rearrangement of channels would mitigate the interference of the presently co-located Channels 271C2 and 280C2 by separating their respective transmitter sites by 79 km. Channel 280C2, which is currently operating at a location 19 km from WCTH, would be relocated 60 km away, while the Channel 271C2 site (WKLG) would remain at 19 km from WCTH. The licensee believes that the new separations will cure the RITOI problem.
- 4. To permit WZMQ's channel change from Channel 280C2 to Channel 292C2, it will be necessary to (1) substitute Channel 288A for Channel 292A, on which WAVK(FM), Marathon, Florida operates, and (2) substitute Channel 280C2 for Channel 288C2 on which WKKB(FM), Key Colony Beach, Florida, has an outstanding construction permit to operate.
- 5. As indicated by the attached Engineering Statement, at the reference coordinates proposed, WZMQ can operate on Channel 292C2 in conformance with all required distance separations and will provide requisite city coverage to Key Largo. Further, utilizing WAVK(FM)'s currently licensed site, WAVK(FM) operating at Channel 288A would meet all of the required minimum distance separations as set forth in the Commission's

Rules. Finally, the attached Engineering Statement also reflects that the use of Channel 280C2 in place of Channel 288C2 at Key Colony Beach, Florida, utilizing the coordinates of the site currently authorized to WKKB, would also meet the required minimum distance separations as required by the Commission's Rules.

- 6. The instant Petition does not request the substitution of an adjacent channel, but proposes to exchange channels within three communities with no upgrade in channel proposed.

 Consequently, the provisions of Section 1.420(g)(2) do not apply.
- 7. WZMQ acknowledges its responsibility, should it ultimately be awarded a construction permit for Channel 292C2, to reimburse WAVK, Marathon, Florida, and WKKB, Key Colony Beach, Florida, for the reasonable and prudent costs attendant to a change in frequency. See <u>Circleville</u>, <u>Ohio</u>, 8 FCC 2d 159 (1967).
- 8. The licensee intends to apply for a construction permit on the requested channel upon amendment by the Commission of its FM Table of Allotments and further intends to construct such facilities immediately following Commission grant of a construction permit to it.
- 9. It is therefore submitted that the public would be served by a modification of the FM Table of Allotments as follows:

	<u>Add</u>	<u>Delete</u>
Key Largo, Florida	292C2	280C2
Marathon, Florida	288A	292A
Key Colony Beach, Florida	280C2	288C2

10. In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the Commission institute a rulemaking proceeding proposing amendment to the FM Table of Allotments as set forth herein.

Respectfully submitted,

SPANISH BROADCASTING SYSTEM OF FLORIDA, INC.

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STATEMENT OF HERMAN E. HURST, JR. IN SUPPORT OF A PETITION FOR RULEMAKING REQUESTING AMENDMENT OF SECTION 73.202(b) OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Proponent: Spanish Broadcasting System of Florida, Inc.

I am a Radio Engineer, an employee in the firm of Carl T. Jones Corporation, with offices located in Springfield, Virginia.

My education and experience are a matter of record with the Federal Communications Commission.

GENERAL

This office has been authorized by Spanish Broadcasting System of Florida, Inc., licensee of FM Broadcast Station WZMQ(FM), Key Largo, Florida, to prepare this statement and associated exhibits in support of its Petition to the Federal Communications Commission requesting amendment of Section 73.202(b) of the Rules and Regulations (Table of FM Allotments) in the following manner:

	Add	<u>Delete</u>
Key Largo, Florida Marathon, Florida	292C2 288A	280C2 292A
Key Colony Beach, Florida	280C2	288C2

This amendment to the Table of FM Allotments is requested to reduce the potential for Receiver Induced Third Order Intermodulation (RITOI) interference that has been observed in some automobile receivers within the near vicinity of the shared antenna transmitter site of WZMQ, Key Largo, Florida, Channel 280C2 and WKLG, Rock Harbor, Florida, Channel 271C2. This receiver-generated interference impacts reception of WCTH, Plantation Key, Florida, operating on Channel 262C1. WZMQ and WKLG are colocated at a site approximately 19 kilometers northeast of the WCTH antenna/transmitter location.

The proposed rearrangement of channels described herein would mitigate the RITOI by separating the presently co-located Channels 271C2 and 280C2. As proposed herein, the two channels would be separated by 79 kilometers. The Channel 280C2 facility, currently 19 kilometers from the WCTH site, would be placed 60 kilometers away. The Channel 271C2 site would remain at 19 kilometers from WCTH. We believe these new separations will cure the RITOI.

This Petition for Rulemaking does not request the substitution of an adjacent channel but proposes to exchange channels within three communities with <u>no upgrade</u> in channel proposed. Consequently, the provisions of Section 1.420(g)(2) do not apply.

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ALLOCATION STUDY

WZMQ(FM) is a Class C2 assignment licensed to operate on Channel 280C2

(103.9 MHz). It is proposed to change to Channel 292C2. To permit the WZMQ(FM)

channel change, it will be necessary to substitute Channel 288A for Channel 292A for

WAVK, Marathon, Florida, and substitute Channel 280C2 for Channel 288C2 for an

outstanding construction permit, WKKB, Key Colony Beach, Florida.

A complete frequency allocation study was performed to ensure that a Channel

292C2 allotment at Key Largo, Florida, would meet all of the required minimum distance

separations with respect to all existing and proposed facilities and assignments in the

vicinity. The attached Table 1 details the results of this study and demonstrates that the

proposed Channel 292C2 is in conformance with all required distance separations as set

forth in the FCC Rules and Regulations. For the purposes of this rulemaking, the

following reference coordinates were selected for WZMQ(FM):

N.L. 24° 57' 20"

W.L. 80° 34' 50"

The reference coordinates are located approximately 23.2 kilometers southwest

of the center of Key Largo, Florida, the principal community to be served. Exhibit 1

depicts the specified reference coordinates and the permissible site location area for a

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Channel 292C2 assignment in Key Largo. From the reference site selected, the city of

Key Largo would be fully encompassed within the 70 dB contour.

A complete study was also conducted to ensure that a Channel 288A allotment at

Marathon, Florida, would meet all of the required minimum distance separations with

respect to all existing and proposed facilities and assignments in the vicinity. The

attached Table 2 details the results of this study and demonstrates that the proposed

Channel 288A is in conformance with all required distance separations as set forth in the

FCC Rules and Regulations. For the purpose of this rulemaking, reference coordinates

selected are:

N.L. 24° 43' 44"

W.L. 81° 02' 05"

The above stated reference coordinates for Marathon, Florida, are those from

which WAVK, Marathon, Florida, is currently licensed to operate on Channel 292A with

an ERP of 3.0 kW and HAAT of 34 meters and are located approximately 6.8 kilometers

east of Marathon. Exhibit 2 depicts the permissible site area for WAVK as a Class A (6

kW) on Channel 288. Marathon will receive the predicted 70 dBu coverage which could

be expected from a Class A facility operating with the maximum allowable effective

radiated power (6 kW) and height above average terrain (100 meters).

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A complete study was also performed on the proposed 280C2 allotment at Key Colony Beach, Florida. As detailed in Table 3, the proposed allocation meets the required minimum distance separations with respect to all existing and proposed facilities and assignments in the vicinity. The reference coordinates selected for this rulemaking are:

N.L. 24° 42' 25" W.L. 81° 06' 17"

The reference coordinates are located approximately 8.7 kilometers west of the center of Key Colony Beach, Florida, and describe the site currently authorized for use by WKKB on Channel 288C2. Exhibit 3 depicts the city of Key Colony Beach would be fully served with a 70 dB field strength.

The above statement and supporting exhibits were prepared by me or under my direct supervision and are believed to be true and correct.

DATED: December 11, 1992

lerman E. Hurst, Jr.

TABLE I

Study Name: WZMQ KEY LARGO , FL

ZONE 2

Channel: 292C2

Latitude: 24 57 20 Longitude: 80 34 50

Translators Not Included

Nearest FOB Station or Quiet Zone: Vero Beach, FL

293.67 Km 359.0 Deg.

CHAN	CALL	CITY AND STAT	E	LAT	TUDE	LON	GIT	UDE	FILE NO	STATUS		ERP	HAAT	BEAR	DIST	REQD	CLEAR
23801	WAIL *	Key West TO CHANNEL 258 P			39 25 39	81	32	18	BLH-800905A	C LIC		100.000	75	251.2	102.33	27.0	75.33
239C1	WXDJ	Homestead	FL	25 3	32 24	80	28	7	BLH-870717K	B LIC		100.000	299	9.8	65.72	27.0	38.72
23901		Homestead P Cancelled 9208		25 3	2 24	80	28	7	врн-8906271	D CP		23.500	513	9.8	65.72	27.0	38.72
290C		Fort Lauderdale X WITH THE RENEW				80	10	27	BLH-890814K	I LIC	D	100.000	311	19.4	121.95	105.0	16.95 CLOSE
292A	WAFCFM	Clewiston	FL	26 4	2 35	80	54	0	BPH-9012241	A CP	*	2.100	168	350.8	196.95	166.0	30.95
292A	С	Fort Myers Vill oordinates updat							- 20825BZ	USED		.000	0	323.1	225.03	166.0	59.03
292A	WAFCFM	Clewiston	FL	26 4	2 35	80	54	0	BLH-841220K	S LIC		1.500	140	350.8	196.95	166.0	30.95
292A		Marathon 3.215 REQUIRED D			3 44 ARATIC	-		5 3.0 KM	BLH-841105D	P LIC		3.000	34	241.3	52.32	166.0	-113.68 SHORT
292A	WSUV	Fort Myers Vill	FL	26 3	0 18	81	51	14	BLH-910722K	A LIC	D*	6.000	81	323.8	213.98	166.0	47.98
294C	YDLW	Fort Lauderdale	FL	25 5	9 34	80	10	27	BLH-860116K	B LIC	D	100.000	300	19.4	121.95	105.0	16.95 CLOSE

END OF STUDY

TABLE II

Study Name: WAVK MARATHON , FL

ZONE 2

Channel: 288A Latitude: 24 43 44 Longitude: 81 2 5

Translators Not Included Nearest FOB Station or Quiet Zone: Vero Beach, FL

321.22 Km 7.0 Deg.

CHAN	CALL	CITY AND STATE	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	FILE NO	STATUS	ERP	HAAT BEAR	DIST	REQD CLEAR
286C	WHQT	Coral Gables	FL 25 57 59	80 12 33	BLH-870611KE	LIC D	100.000	307 30.9	160.31	95.0 65.31
288A	MIXI	Naples Park *To Amend to Channe	FL 26 19 0 el 288C3 Per		BLH-861104KB	LIC	.950	178 337.0	191.45	115.0 76.45
28803		Naples Park Effective 8-13-92-			- -469	VACANT	.000	0 336.8	181.51	142.0 39.51
288C2		Key Colony Beac Site Restricted-Eff 73.215 REQUIRED DIS	fective 11-2	6-90-Reserved	•	USED D89-612	.000	0 251.4	7.35	166.0 -158.65 SHORT
288 C2	WKKB	Key Colony Beac 173.215 REQUIRED DIS			BMPH-891229IE SHORT	CP MOD	50.000	84 251.0	7.49	166.0 -158.51 SHORT
290C		M Fort Lauderdale i		80 10 27	BLH-890814KI	LIC D	100.000	311 31.4	164.63	95.0 69.63

END OF STUDY

TABLE III

Study Name: WKKB KEY COLONY, FL

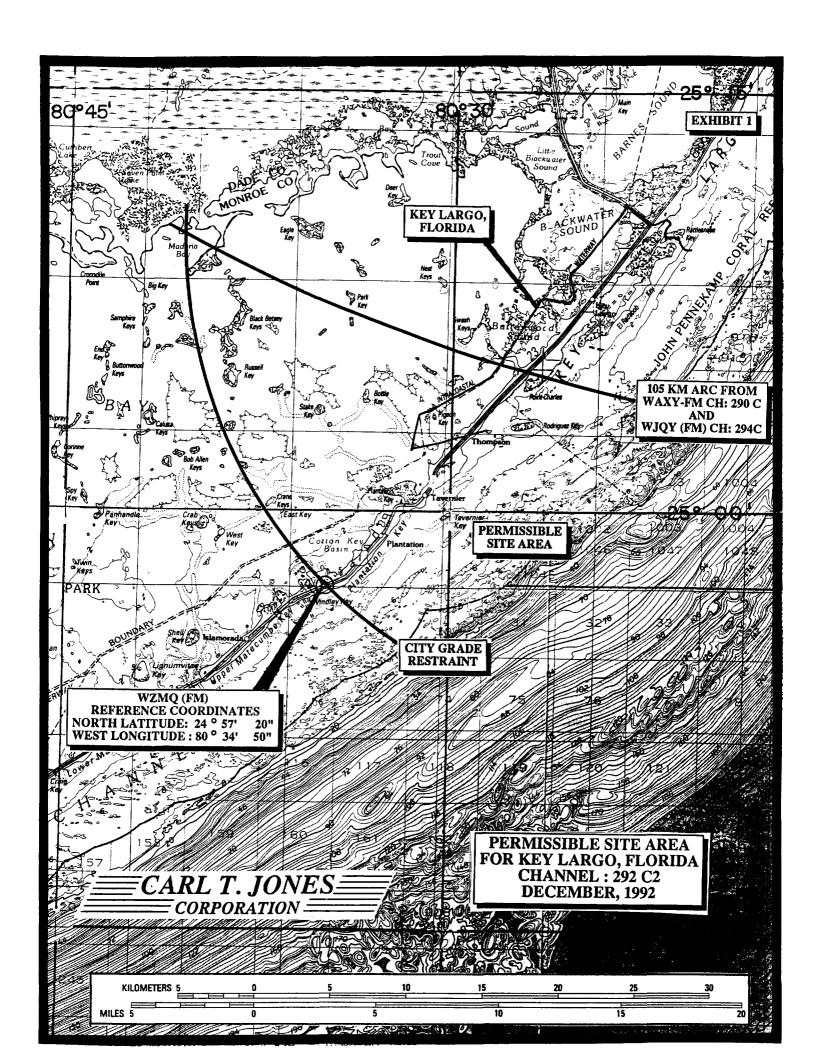
ZONE 2

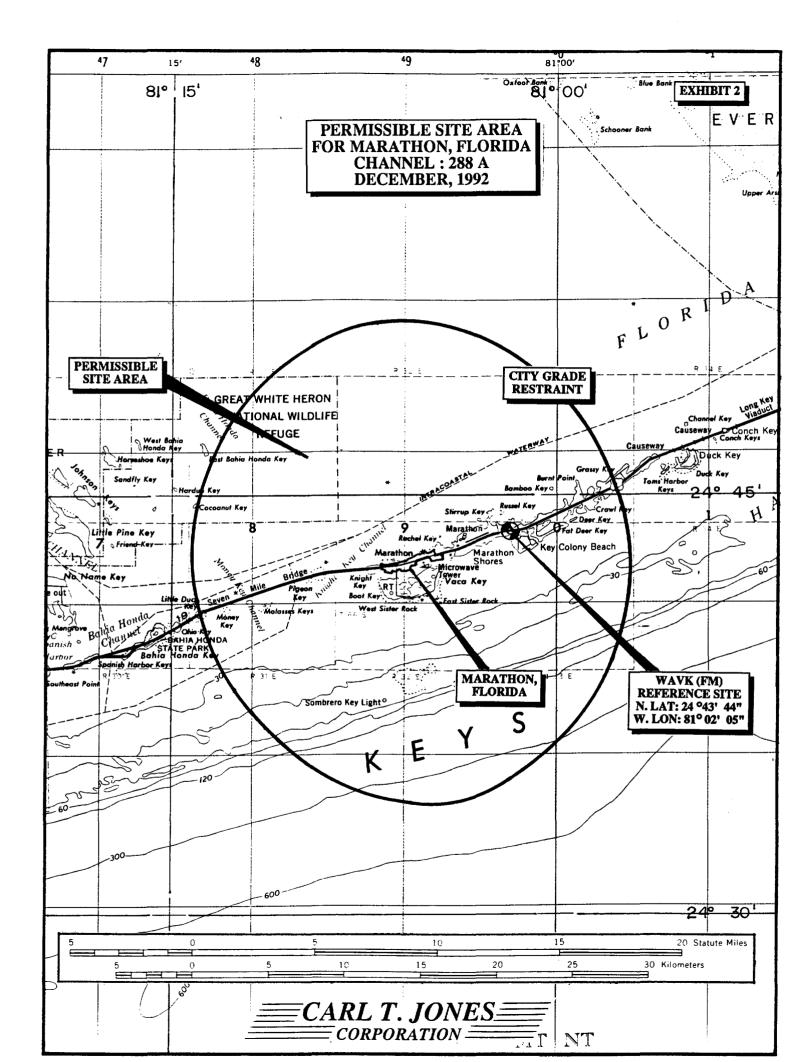
Channel: 280C2 New 6 kW Separations Used Latitude: 24 45 25 Longitude: 81 6 17 Translators Not Included

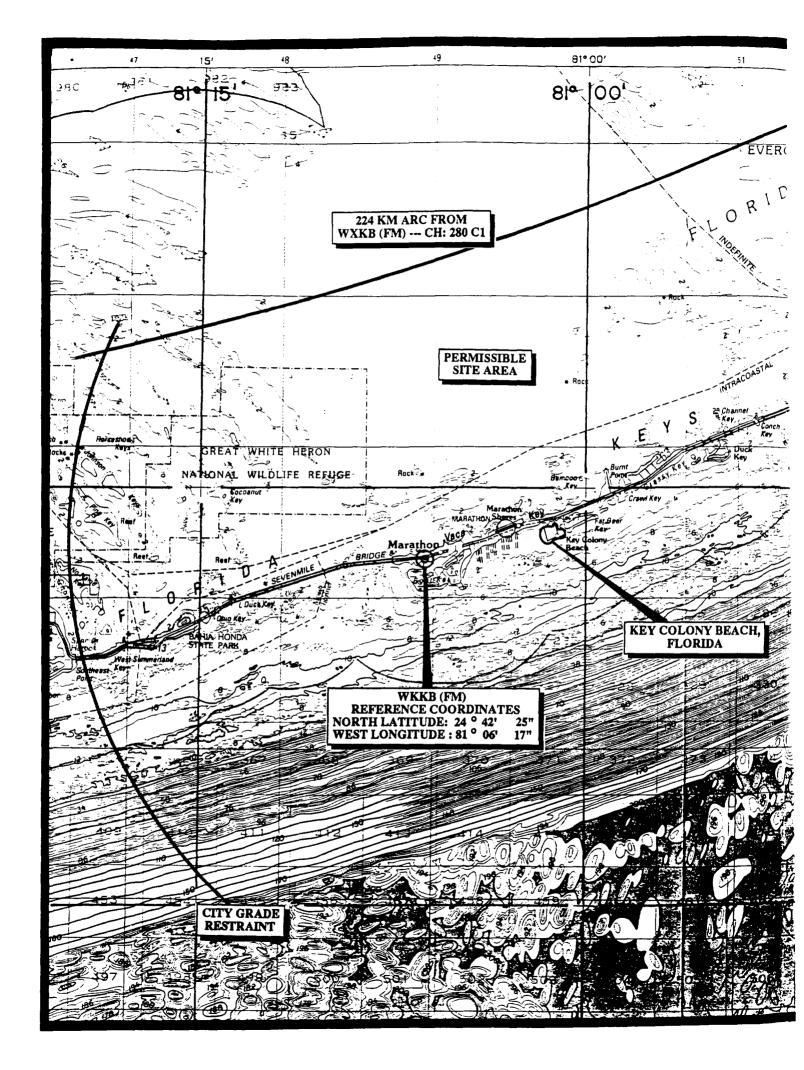
Nearest FOB Station or Quiet Zone: Vero Beach, FL 319.09 Km 8.3 Deg.

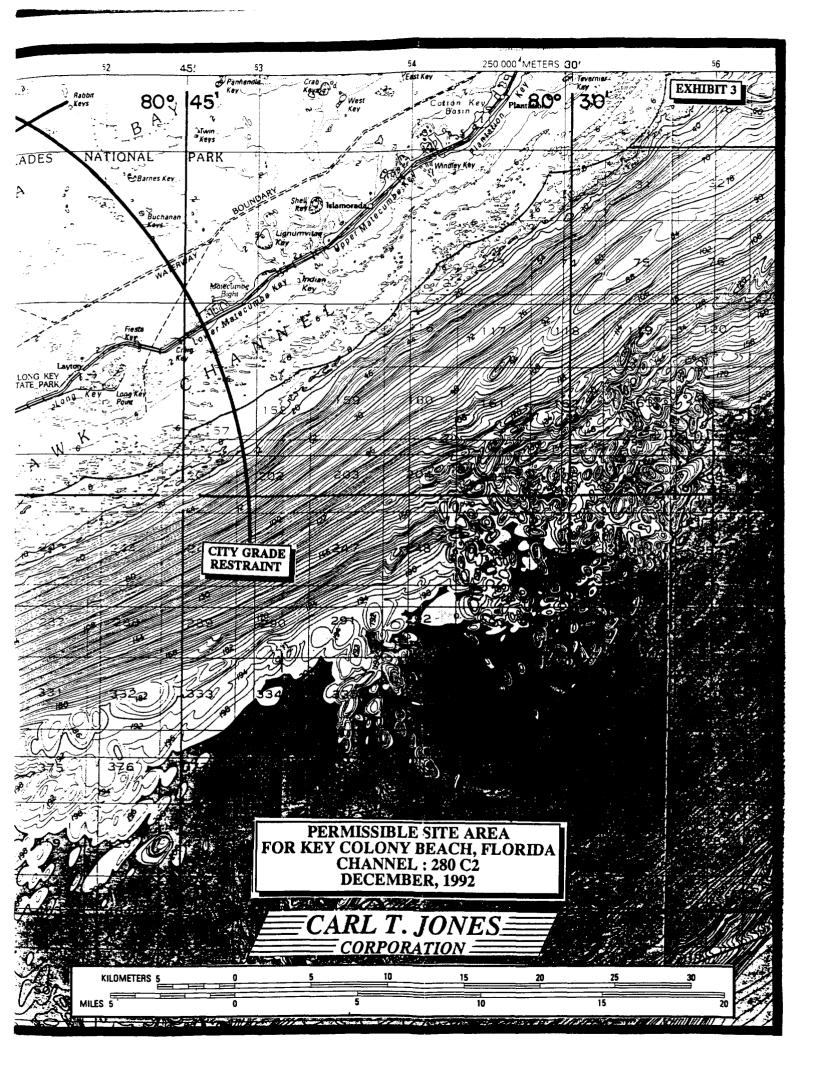
SER CHAN CALL	CITY AND STATE	LATITUDE	LONGITUD	E FILE NO	STATUS	ERP HAA	T BEAR DIST	REQD CLEAR
	Fort Lauderdale Fates updated from		80 12 33 BLH8512		USED	.000	0 33.6 161.48	105.0 56.48
FM 278C WSHE	Fort Lauderdale F		80 12 33		LIC	D 100.000	307 33.6 161.48	105.0 56.48
	Cape Coral F nnel 280C1 Per D88		82 1 35	BLH-891226KF	LIC	50.000	83 336.4 228.06	130.0 98.06
	Cape Coral F annel 279C2 Per D8	L 26 47 43 8-512	81 48 4	BPH-92040911	APP	100.000	299 343.0 236.36	224.0 12.36 CLOSE
FA 280C2	Key Largo F Key Largo F stricted-Effective	L 24 57 20	80 34 50	-	CP MOD USED	* 50.000 .000	73 60.7 76.37 0 67.2 57.36	
FA 280C1	Cape Coral F stricted-Effective	L 26 47 43	81 48 4	•		.000	0 343.0 236.36	224.0 12.36 CLOSE
	West Palm Beach F		80 10 0		USED	.000	0 25.7 214.85	105.0 109.85
FM 282C WEATFM	West Palm Beach F annel 282C1 Per D8	L 26 34 37	80 14 32		CP	* 100.000	388 22.9 219.43	105.0 114.43

END OF STUDY









CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Joanne K. Lee, a secretary with the law firm of Kaye, Scholer, Fierman, Hays & Handler, do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing "Petition for Rulemaking" was mailed this 17th day of December 1992, first class, postage prepaid, to the following:

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